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Classified By: DCM Damian R. Leader for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) MoND Acting Director of International Operations Migle Budryte told Post September 19 that Lithuania plans to continue participation in NTM-I and will also consider contributing additional trainers and advisors (reftel) to the mission. Budryte said she had not yet reviewed CE 6.0 but suspected the report was still being circulated within the Lithuanian military. She also indicated that reaching a final decision on additional military or civilian personnel to NTM-I may be difficult for the next few weeks as there are Parliamentary elections October 12. Any decision on NTM-I personnel changes will require DefMin approval.

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